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RESOLUTION NO. 54-93

A RESOLUTION OF THE NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE DELISTING OF THE MEXICAN SPOTTED OWL CURRENTLY LISTED AS THREATENED FOR FEDERAL PROTECTION AS PROVIDED BY THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT OF 1973 AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Navajo County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on the 6th day of July, 1993; and

WHEREAS, the Navajo County Board of Supervisors did adopt this resolution to join with our fellow members of the Coalition of Arizona/New Mexico Counties for Stable Economic Growth in a petition to delist the Mexican Spotted Owl currently listed as threatened for federal protection as provided by the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended; and

WHEREAS, this petition effectively points out that there is not adequate scientific data supporting this listing; and

WHEREAS, on the contrary, the delisting petition demonstrates overwhelmingly that the Mexican Spotted Owl should not have been listed; and

WHEREAS, the physical actions taken in the habitat areas of the owl to protect it are not necessary but on the converse, detrimental and will severely jeopardize ecosystem management for the owl, other wildlife species, and the enjoyment and use of the National Forests for all.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we join with the other Counties in the Coalition in support of a petition to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to delist the Mexican Spotted Owl.

Approved this 6th day of July, 1993.

LARRY A./LAYTON Chairman

Navajo County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

SHARON R. KEENE-WRIGHT, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors